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THE MOBSTER

MY NAME IS LT. ROBERT PETERSON! I'M ASSIGNED TO THE HOMICIDE SQUAD IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT OF A CERTAIN BIG MIDWESTERN CITY! THE STORY YOU ARE ABOUT TO READ CONCERNS THE RISE OF A CERTAIN MOBSTER TO THE TOP OF THE UNDERWORLD'S SLIMY HEAP ... AND THE REWARD HIS LAWLESS AMBITION BROUGHT HIM!

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THE GANG WAR WHICH HAD THREATENED TO ERUPT FOR MONTHS FINALLY BROKE OUT! I WAS ON THE SCENE MINUTES LATER...

LOOKS LIKE "MOOSE" DAVIS HAS JUST BEEN DETHRONED AS KING OF THE RACKETS ON THE EAST SIDE!

PCT

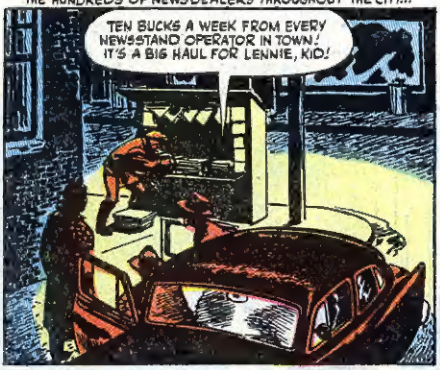
I HAD NOTICED YOUNG CARLOS FOSTER AT THE EDGE OF THE CURIOUS CROWD! HE WALKED AWAY WHEN HE SAW ME LOOKING AT HIM...

SO NOW WE'VE GOT A NEW RAT TO GO LOOKING FOR... THE NEW "BOSS"! WONDER WHO HE IS... AND HOW LONG ***HE'LL*** LAST!

I LEARNED A LOT ABOUT CARLOS' ACTIVITIES LATER ON FROM AN UNDERWORLD STOOL PIGEON! FOR EXAMPLE, CARLOS KNEW WHO THE NEW GANG BOSS WAS! HE HAD STOPPED IN TO SEE HIS RACKETEER COUSIN LENNIE A FEW WEEKS BEFORE THE GANGLAND BATTLE...
HELLO, CARLOS! WHATCHA WANT, KID?
I GOTTA TALK TO YA, LENNIE...IT'S IMPORTANT!
SURE, KID...BUT FIRST I GOT BUSINESS WITH THESE GENTLEMEN! WAIT IN THE BACK ROOM!
CARLOS GOT AN EARFUL THAT AFTERNOON...
WE BEEN PUSHIN' OUR PROTECTION RACKET INTO "MOOSE" DAVIS' TERRITORY, LITTLE BY LITTLE, AND NOW HE'S GETTIN' SORE! I HEAR HE'S GUNNIN' FOR ME!
WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO, BOSS?
WE GO GUNNIN' FOR HIM FIRST! BRING THE REST OF THE BOYS HERE TONIGHT... AND WE'LL MAKE PLANS!
WHEN THE TWO THUGS LEFT THE APARTMENT, CARLOS CAME OUT OF THE BACK ROOM...
OKAY, NOW, WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND, KID?
I'M TIRED OF WORKIN' FOR PEANUTS IN MY OLD MAN'S TAILOR SHOP, LENNIE! I WANNA WORK FOR YOU!
WE PLAY ROUGH SOMETIMES, KID! ARE YA SURE YA GOT THE GUTS FOR IT? AN' WHAT'LL YOUR OLD MAN SAY?
HE WON'T LIKE IT...BUT I AIN'T A KID ANY MORE, LENNIE! I WANNA STAND ON MY OWN TWO FEET NOW!
OKAY, CARLOS...COME BACK IN A MONTH...I'LL BE ABLE TO USE YA THEN! I GOT SOMETHING IMPORTANT I GOTTA TAKE CARE OF FIRST!
GEE, THANKS, LENNIE! YA WON'T BE SORRY!

A MONTH LATER, AFTER THE GANGLAND BATTLE WHICH HAD ELEVATED LENNIE FOSTER TO THE TOP, CARLOS TOLD HIS FATHER HE WAS GOING TO WORK FOR HIS COUSIN...
NO! I WILL NOT LET YOU WORK FOR THAT BUM, LENNIE! HE IS A DISGRACE TO OUR FAMILY... HIS MOTHER AND FATHER DIED OF BROKEN HEARTS!
I'M LEAVIN', POP...AN' YA CAN'T STOP ME!
I LIVED NEXT DOOR TO THE FOSTER'S AND WHEN I HEARD THEM ARGUING LIKE THAT, I FIGURED I'D BETTER STEP IN BEFORE SOMEONE GOT HURT...
I'M SICK OF THE TAILOR SHOP! I WANNA GO PLACES...AN' LENNIE CAN HELP ME!
SORRY TO WALK IN LIKE THIS, MR. FOSTER...BUT I HEARD YOU MENTION YOUR NEPHEW LENNIE...
OH, COME IN, LT. PETERSEN! SORRY WE WERE MAKING SO MUCH NOISE!
STOREKEEPERS HAVE BEEN COMPLAINING ABOUT PAYING PROTECTION MONEY, BUT THEY'RE TOO SCARED TO NAME THE MAN BEHIND THE RACKET! WE SUSPECT LENNIE, BUT WE HAVE NO EVIDENCE! I THOUGHT MAYBE CARLOS KNOWS SOMETHING...
I AIN'T NO STOOLIE, COPPER! WE DON'T NEED YOU BUTTIN' INTO OUR BUSINESS!
SLAM!
YOU MUST HELP ME, LIEUTENANT! CARLOS WANTS TO WORK FOR LENNIE! HE'LL GET INTO BAD TROUBLE!
I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN DO, MR. FOSTER! I'LL TALK TO CARLOS TOMORROW WHEN HE'S CALMED DOWN!
BUT CARLOS NEVER RETURNED TO HIS FATHER'S HOUSE AFTER THAT NIGHT! HE MOVED IN WITH LENNIE...
TONIGHT YA GO OUT WITH THE BOYS, TO COLLECT FROM NEW "CLIENTS"! YA GOT BIG FISTS, CARLOS! YOU'RE GONNA LEARN HOW TO USE 'EM...FOR ME!
THAT WAS THE NIGHT CARLOS FOSTER BEGAN HIS RISE TO THE TOP...IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF HIS LAWLESS COUSIN LENNIE!
AT LAST...I'M IN THE BIG TIME! I'M ON MY WAY UP!

THE NEW "CLIENTS" FOR THE PROTECTION RACKETEER WERE THE HUNDREDS OF NEWSDEALERS THROUGHOUT THE CITY...



...AN' WE'RE INVITIN' YA TO JOIN OUR PROTECTIVE ORGANIZATION, POP! ONLY TEN BUCKS A WEEK, AN NOTHIN' HAPPENS TO YA!
N-NO! YOU CHEAP HOODLUMS CAN'T BULLDOZE ME! I WON'T DO IT!

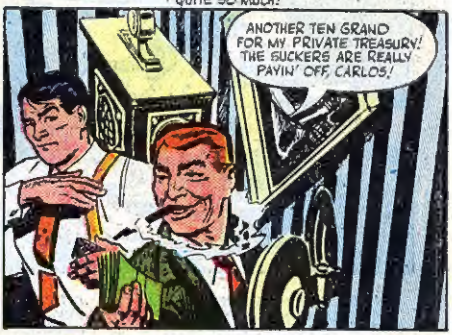
THE VICIOUS BRUTALITY WHICH HAD LAIN DORMANT IN CARLOS FOSTER SUDDENLY REVEALED ITSELF THAT NIGHT...

YES, CARLOS HAD BIG PLANS! HE HAD NO INTENTION OF BEING LENNIE'S MUSCLE MAN ON A PERMANENT BASIS... BUT FIRST HE HAD TO PROVE HIS VALUE TO HIS BOSS! DURING THE NEXT FEW NIGHTS, THE BIG FISTS OF CARLOS FOSTER FORCED DOZENS OF VICTIMS INTO THE GRIP OF THE PROTECTION RACKETEER...

IT WASN'T LONG BEFORE CARLOS BECAME LENNIE'S TOP LIEUTENANT...

YA BETTER CARRY THIS GAT FROM NOW ON, KID! GONNA BE MY PERSONAL BODYGUARD! YOU'RE THE ONLY GUY I CAN REALLY TRUST!
THANKS, LENNIE.

WE HAD LENNIE DOWN AT HEADQUARTERS FOR QUESTIONING, BUT WITHOUT EVIDENCE WE HAD TO RELEASE HIM! MEANWHILE, HE WAS LIVING BIG! IF LENNIE HAD NOTICED THE ENVY IN CARLOS' EYES, HE WOULDN'T HAVE TRUSTED HIS LIEUTENANT QUITE SO MUCH!



CARLOS WAS JUST WAITING FOR HIS BIG CHANCE TO TAKE OVER! IT CAME ONE NIGHT WHEN HE WAS VISITING SOME OF LENNIE'S DISSATISFIED HOODS IN THEIR HOTEL ROOM...

IT AIN'T FAIR, I TELL YA! WE DO ALL HIS DIRTY WORK, AND LENNIE IS GETTIN' RICH! HE LIVES LIKE A MILLIONAIRE... AN' WE GOTTA HOLE UP IN A DUMP LIKE THIS!

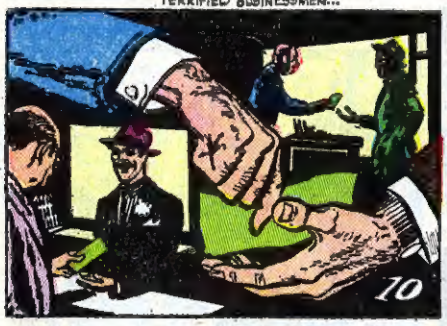
YOU GUYS ARE RIGHT! IF I GET RID OF LENNIE, I GUARANTEE YA A BIGGER SHARE OF THE HAUL! WILL YOU COME IN WITH ME?
YOU'RE TALKIN' OUR LANGUAGE, CARLOS! COUNT ME IN!
ME TOO!

CARLOS WASTED NO TIME! HE WENT GUNNING FOR LENNIE THAT SAME NIGHT!

AT EXACTLY ELEVEN P.M....

I WAS CALLED TO THE SCENE A FEW MINUTES LATER...

CARLOS FOSTER'S RISE TO THE TOP HAD BEEN FAST! NOT SATISFIED WITH THE LEGACY LENNIE HAD LEFT HIM, CARLOS EXTENDED HIS PROTECTION ACTIVITIES TO THE OTHER TERRIFIED BUSINESSMEN...



CARLOS WAS THE TOP MOBSTER IN THE CITY NOW, AND THE LOOT KEPT FLOWING IN LIKE LEAVES FALLING FROM A FOREST OF TREES!

BUT CARLOS SOON LEARNED THAT THE MAN ON TOP IS LIKE A CLAY PIGEON, JUST WAITING FOR SOME DISSATISFIED HOOD TO BLAST HIM OFF HIS SHAKY PERCH!

YEAH, CARLOS LIVES LIKE A KING... AN' HE AIN'T COMIN' ACROSS WITH A BIG ENOUGH CUT LIKE HE PROMISED US! I SAY HE'S GOTTA GO!
WE'RE WITH YA, TIPPY! JUST GIVE THE WORD!

CARLOS HAD HIS SPIES AND HE KNEW HIS EXECUTION HAD BEEN ORDERED! HE HAD HEARD SOMEONE SAY ONCE..."UNEASY LIES THE THE HEAD THAT WEARS A CROWN"... AND NOW HE KNEW WHAT THAT MEANT!

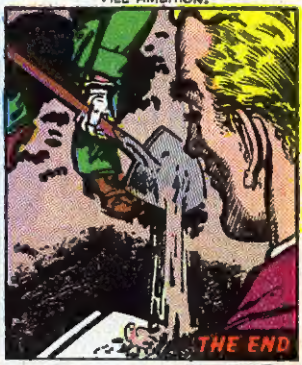
CARLOS SNEAKED OUT THE BACK DOOR OF HIS APARTMENT HOUSE THAT NIGHT! HE DIDN'T NOTICE THE BLACK SEDAN PARKED DOWN THE STREET...

...UNTIL IT WAS TOO LATE...

I RECOGNIZED THE BULLET-RIDDLED BODY AT ONCE...

IT'S THE SAME OLD STORY! WHEN A MOBSTER REACHES THE TOP, THE ONLY WAY HE CAN GO IS... DOWN! AT LEAST MR. FOSTER WON'T SUFFER FROM THE SHAME OF THIS! CARLOS' FATHER DIED LAST NIGHT... FROM A BROKEN HEART!

THE LAST STOP FOR CARLOS FOSTER WAS IN A LONELY GRAVE IN POTTER'S FIELD... UNCLAIMED...UNWANTED...WITH ONLY THE GRAVE DIGGER AND MYSELF TO WITNESS HIS IGNOBLE FATE! THE MOBSTER HAD REAPED THE INEVITABLE REWARD OF HIS VILE AMBITION!



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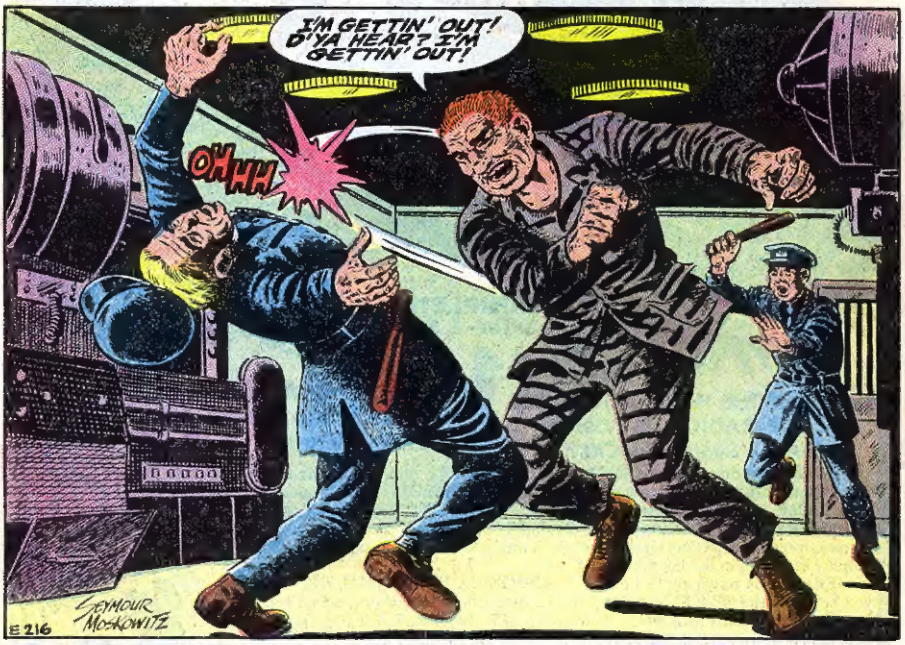
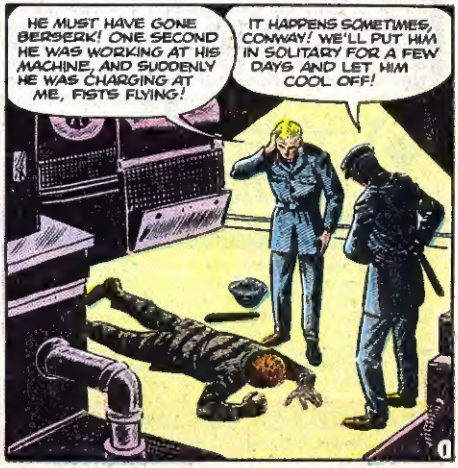
ON THE AFTERNOON OF JUNE 18, 1938, IN THE LAUNDRY ROOM OF CARTWELL PRISON, A PRISONER BY THE NAME OF "BULL" REEVES SUDDENLY LASHED OUT AT ONE OF THE GUARDS...




HE MUST HAVE GONE BERSERK! ONE SECOND HE WAS WORKING AT HIS MACHINE, AND SUDDENLY HE WAS CHARGING AT ME, FISTS FLYING!
IT HAPPENS SOMETIMES, CONWAY! WE'LL PUT HIM IN SOLITARY FOR A FEW DAYS AND LET HIM COOL OFF!

THE DAYS PASSED, AND IN HIS SOLITARY CELL, BULL MULLED OVER HIS PREDICAMENT...

I WAS NUTS TO DO WHAT I DID, BUT I COULDN'T STOP! IT JUST COME OVER ME AN' I WAS PUNCHIN' AWAY LIKE CRAZY! I GUESS IT SHOWS HOW BAD I NEED OUT! THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY... THERE HAS TO BE!

IN ANOTHER DAY OR SO THEY'LL BE TAKIN' ME OUTTA HERE! I'LL ACT REAL GOOD! THEN WHEN VISITIN' DAY COMES I'LL HAVE IT ALL WORKED OUT! I'LL PASS THE WORD TO BARNEY! HE AN' THE BOYS'LL CARRY IT FROM THERE!

VISITING DAY CAME AND WENT, AND ON HIS RETURN FROM CARTWELL, BULL'S TRUSTED LIEUTENANT BARNEY DOWELS BROKE THE NEWS...

YOU'LL BE GETTIN' A LITTLE ACTION, BOYS! I'VE JUST COME BACK FROM SEEIN' B'LL AN' HE'S READY TO BE SPRUNG!

SPRUNG... BUT HE'S GOT TWO YEARS TO GO!

I KNOW THAT, STUPID! I MEAN OUT! A BREAK!

OKAY, BARNEY! GIVE US THE DETAILS!

I KNOW THIS IS GONNA SOUND CRAZY, BUT ACTUALLY BULL ISN'T GOIN' TO BREAK OUT! THE WAY IT WORKS IS THAT WE'LL BE GOIN' IN TO GET HIM!

HUH? IT DON'T FIGGER, BARNEY!

IT FIGGERS ALL RIGHT, ESPECIALLY THE WAY BULL'S GOT IT PLANNED! NOW PAY ATTENTION AN' I'LL FILL IN THE DETAILS!

THREE DAYS LATER, IN THE EARLY DAWN OF JUNE 28TH...

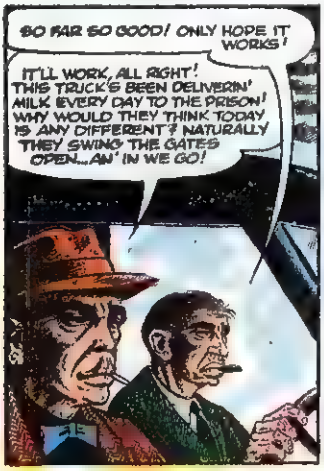
OKAY, YOU GUYS! GET SET! HERE HE COMES NOW, AN' RIGHT ON TIME!

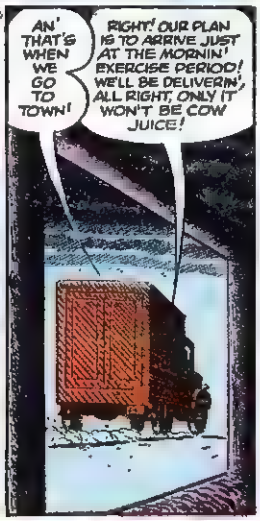
AS AN APPROACHING MILK VAN CAME INTO VIEW...

THROWING OPEN THE REAR DOORS OF THE TRUCK, BARNEY GAVE FINAL INSTRUCTIONS...

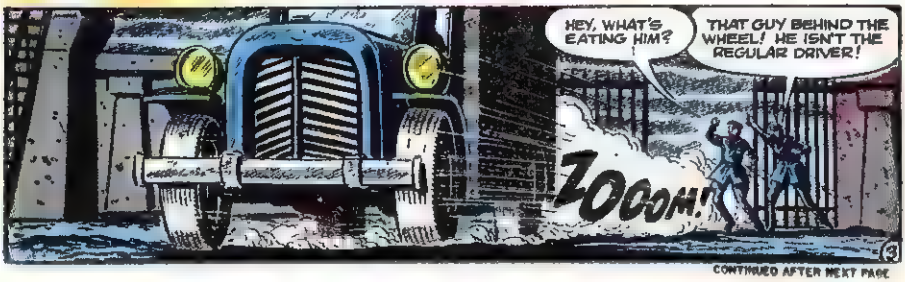
OKAY, BOYS... INSIDE! MONK AND ME'LL BE UP IN THE CAB! I'LL GIVE THE SIGNAL, AN' WHEN I DO, I'LL BE EXPECTIN' A GOOD PERFORMANCE!
DON'T WORRY, WE'LL GIVE 'EM A SHOW THEY'LL NEVER FORGET!

MOMENTS LATER, WITH A GRIND OF GEARS, THE TRUCK ROARED OFF DOWN THE HIGHWAY!


SO FAR SO GOOD! ONLY HOPE IT WORKS!
IT'LL WORK, ALL RIGHT! THIS TRUCK'S BEEN DELIVERIN' MILK EVERY DAY TO THE PRISON! WHY WOULD THEY THINK TODAY IS ANY DIFFERENT? NATURALLY THEY SWING THE GATES OPEN... AN' IN WE GO!


AN' THAT'S WHEN WE GO TO TOWN!
RIGHT! OUR PLAN IS TO ARRIVE JUST AT THE MORNIN' EXERCISE PERIOD! WE'LL BE DELIVERIN', ALL RIGHT, ONLY IT WON'T BE COW JUICE!

AN HOUR LATER, AS THE TRUCK APPROACHED THE ENTRANCE TO CARTWELL PRISON...



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Now! The Amazing Facts about

BALDNESS

...AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT

The following facts are brought to the attention of the public because of a widespread belief that nothing can be done about hair loss. This belief has no basis in medical fact. Worse, it has condemned many men and women to needless baldness by their neglect to treat certain accepted causes of hair loss.

There are six principal types of hair loss, or *alopecia*, as it is known in medical terms:

1. Alopecia from diseases of the scalp
2. Alopecia from other diseases or from an improper functioning of the body
3. Alopecia of the aged (senile baldness)
4. Alopecia areata (loss of hair in patches)
5. Alopecia of the young (premature baldness)
6. Alopecia at birth (congenital baldness)

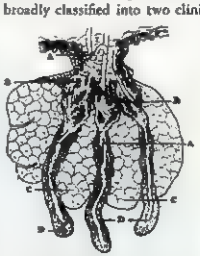
Senile, premature and congenital alopecia cannot be helped by anything now known to modern science. Alopecia from improper functioning of the body requires the advice and treatment of your family physician.

BUT MANY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE A SPECIFIC SCALP DISEASE IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HAIR LOSS.

This disease is called Seborrhea and can be broadly classified into two clinical forms with the following symptoms:

1. ***DRY SEBORRHEA:*** The hair is dry, lifeless, and without gloss. A dry flaky dandruff is usually present with accompanying itchiness. Hair loss is considerable and increases with the progress of this disease.
2. ***OILY SEBORRHEA:*** The hair and scalp are oily and greasy. The hair is slightly sticky to the touch and has a tendency to mat together. Dandruff takes the form of head scales. Scalp is usually itchy. Hair loss is severe with baldness as the end result.

Many doctors agree that to NEGLECT these symptoms of DRY and OILY SEBORRHEA is to INVITE BALDNESS.



DESTRUCTION OF HAIR FOLLICLES
Caused By Seborrhea
A — Dead hairs; B — Hair-destroying bacteria; C — Hypertrophied sebaceous glands; D — Atrophic follicles.

Seborrhea is believed to be caused by three germ organisms — staphylococcus albus, pityrosporum ovale, and acnes bacillus.

These germs attack the sebaceous gland causing an abnormal working of this fat gland. The hair follicle, completely surrounded by the enlarged diseased sebaceous gland, then begins to atrophy. The hair produced becomes smaller and smaller until the hair follicle dies. Baldness is the inevitable result. (See illustration.)

But seborrhea can be controlled, particularly in its early stages. The three germ organisms believed to cause seborrhea, can and should be eliminated before they destroy your normal hair growth.

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A Few of the Many Grateful Expressions By Users of Comate Medicinal Formula

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"This formula is everything if not more than you say it is. I am very happy with what it's doing for my hair." —T.J., Las Cruces, New Mexico

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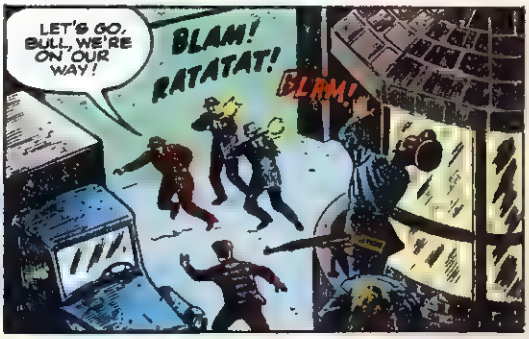
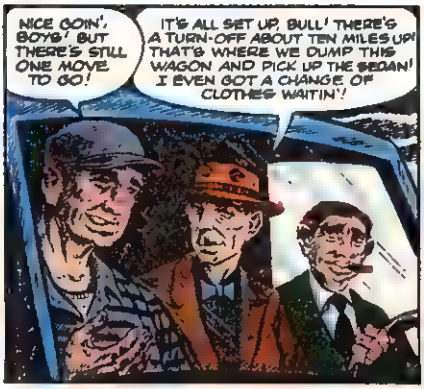
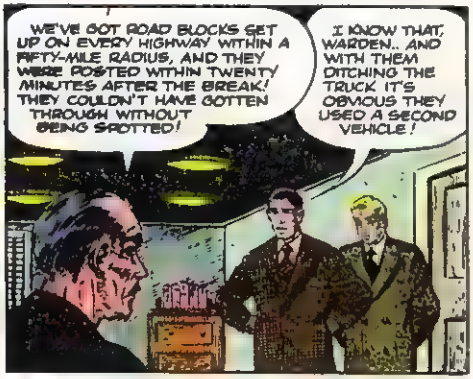
WITH PRECISION MOVEMENT, THE TOWER GUARDS CAME NEXT, WHILE BULL RACED TO THE TRUCK UNDER PROTECTIVE FIRE!



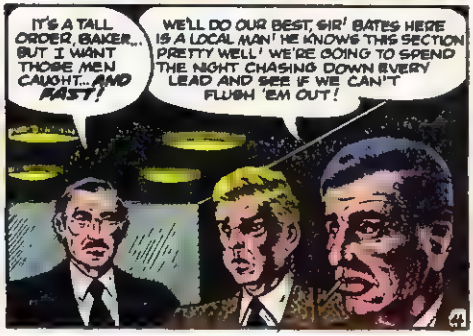
THEN WITH A BURST OF POWER, THE TRUCK SHATTERED ITS WAY OUT OF THE YARD!


NICE GOIN', BOYS! BUT THERE'S STILL ONE MOVE TO GO!
IT'S ALL SET UP, BULL! THERE'S A TURN-OFF ABOUT TEN MILES UP! THAT'S WHERE WE DUMP THIS WAGON AND PICK UP THE SEDAN! I EVEN GOT A CHANGE OF CLOTHES WAITIN'!

LATE THAT SAME EVENING IN WARDEN SPENCER'S OFFICE, A MEETING WAS IN PROGRESS! PRESENT WERE SPECIAL DETECTIVES FLOYD BAKER AND HARMON BATES...


WE'VE GOT ROAD BLOCKS SET UP ON EVERY HIGHWAY WITHIN A FIFTY-MILE RADIUS, AND THEY WERE POSTED WITHIN TWENTY MINUTES AFTER THE BREAK! THEY COULDN'T HAVE GOTTEN THROUGH WITHOUT BEING SPOTTED!
I KNOW THAT, WARDEN.. AND WITH THEM DITCHING THE TRUCK IT'S OBVIOUS THEY USED A SECOND VEHICLE!

THAT MEANS THEY'VE HOLED UP SOMEWHERE IN HERE! NO DOUBT THEY'LL BE PLANNING TO BREAK THROUGH SOMETIME BETWEEN NOW AND MORNING!
THEN IT'S UP TO YOU TO STOP THEM!


IT'S A TALL ORDER, BAKER... BUT I WANT THOSE MEN CAUGHT... AND FAST!
WE'LL DO OUR BEST, SIR! BATES HERE IS A LOCAL MAN! HE KNOWS THIS SECTION PRETTY WELL! WE'RE GOING TO SPEND THE NIGHT CHASING DOWN EVERY LEAD AND SEE IF WE CAN'T FLUSH 'EM OUT!

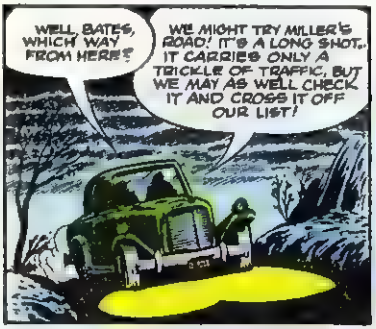
AND WHILE THE POLICE WERE DOING THEIR PLANNING IN AN ABANDONED SHACK SOME TWENTY MILES AWAY BULL WAS DOING SOME PLANNING OF HIS OWN...

EVERY HIGHWAY OUTTA HERE IS CARRYIN' A ROAD BLOCK! THAT'S WHY WE'RE GONNA USE THIS BACK-ROAD AN' DO IT AT NIGHT! ONCE WE SLIP PAST 'EM WE'LL BE OKAY!
SURE, BULL! NOW LET'S GO OVER THAT ROUTE ONCE MORE TO BE SURE!

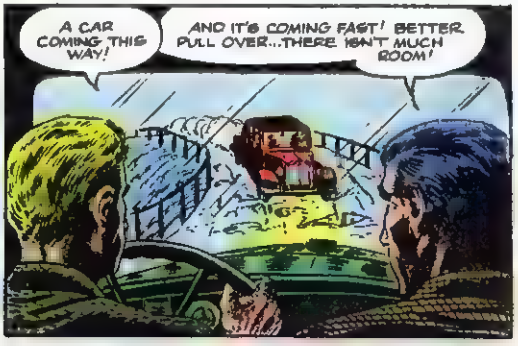
WE FOLLOW THIS ROAD HERE ACROSS KELLY'S BRIDGE! IT'S A LITTLE WAGON TRAIL, BUT IT'LL TAKE A CAR! IT FINALLY CUTS INTO ROUTE 367, BUT AT A POINT OUTSIDE THE BLOCKADE AREA!
I GET IT! AN' THEN WE JUST BREEZE ALONG AN' HEAD WEST!

IT'S JUST LIKE OLD TIMES BULL! YOU ALWAYS HAD A WAY OF CUTTIN' THINGS DOWN TUH SIZE, AN' YA SURE THOUGHT THIS ONE OUT!
LET'S BE PUSHIN' ALONG! THE QUICKER WE GET OUTTA HERE, THE QUICKER WE'LL BE BACK IN BUSINESS!

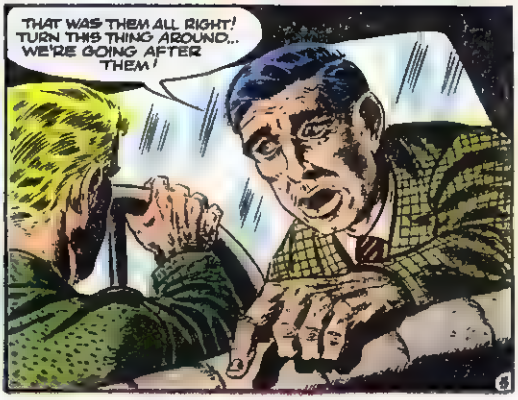
MEANWHILE, DETECTIVES BAKER AND BATES PURSUED A CHECKERBOARD ROUTE THROUGH THE SUSPECTED AREA...


WELL, BATES, WHICH WAY FROM HERE?
WE MIGHT TRY MILLER'S ROAD! IT'S A LONG SHOT, IT CARRIES ONLY A TRICKLE OF TRAFFIC, BUT WE MAY AS WELL CHECK IT AND CROSS IT OFF OUR LIST!

TURNING OFF THE MAIN HIGHWAY ONTO MILLER'S ROAD, THE PAIR PROCEEDED FOR ABOUT FIFTEEN MINUTES WHEN SUDDENLY..



WITH INCREASING SPEED THE ONCOMING SEDAN RACED TOWARD THEM, AND WITH ONLY INCHES TO SPARE, FLASHED BY INTO THE NIGHT!



THEY'VE TURNED AROUND, BULL... THEY'RE COPPERS!
WHAT ARE YA WAITIN' FOR? START BLASTIN'!
LOOK, BULL, A ROAD BLOCK! YA SAID THERE WOULDN'T BE ANY ON THIS ROAD!
OKAY, SO THERE'S A ROAD BLOCK! JUST KEEP GOIN! PILE THROUGH IT!
SMASH
CRUNCH
CRASH
SECONDS LATER, DETECTIVES BAKER AND BATES BROUGHT THEIR CAR TO A GRINDING HALT...
THOSE FOOLS! THAT BARRIER WAS AS PLAIN AS IT COULD BE! THEY'LL BE DEAD PIGEONS FOR SURE!
DEAD? HOW DO YOU MEAN?
KELLY'S BRIDGE OF COURSE! IT WAS WASHED OUT IN YESTERDAY'S STORM! I SET THIS BARRIER UP ON MY OWN, BUT THOSE IDIOTS WOULDN'T PAY IT NO MIND!
CRASH
HEAR THAT? THEY'RE FINISHED! THEY JUST LANDED FROM A NINETY-FOOT DROP!
THERE WASN'T MUCH IN THE WAY OF RECOGNITION WHEN THE DETECTIVES ARRIVED AT THE SCENE! JUST THE TWISTED WRECKAGE OF FLAME-SCORCHED STEEL AND THE BROKEN BODIES OF RUTHLESS MEN WHO THOUGHT THEY COULD DEFY THE LAW... BUT FAILED!
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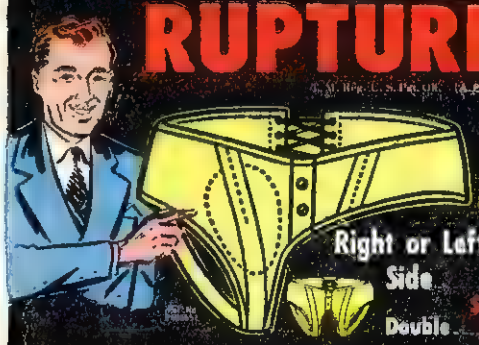

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"Alright. Everybody put your hands into the air. This is a stick-up!"

One of the stenographers fainted.

The smaller of the two men grabbed the package of green bills, and started stuffing them into a small black suitcase. The other one said to the paymaster:

"You! We're taking you with us as a hostage. If anyone notifies the police, if we hear sirens, you'll get it right between the eyes!"

It all happened so fast that everyone was paralyzed. The hold-up men backed out of the office. When they reached the street they dashed for the car. The alarm went off inside the building . . .

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A week later, a beautiful blonde walked into the office of John Steele, private detective.

"Mr. Steele," she said, "I want you to do a job for me."

"That's what I'm in business for. Shoot."

She smiled. "I want you to get something my husband took from me, when he left. It's a little black suitcase, and it contains all of my personal jewelry, and some bonds."

"Where is your husband, now?"

She hesitated a moment, and then she said: "He's in a hospital—for the *mentally-ill*."

She went on to tell Steele how he could enter the hospital as a patient, meet her husband, and take the suitcase from him It would be easy.

"This job smells a little fishy," said Steele. "If I didn't need that five-hundred dollar retainer, I'd never touch it."

The blonde, gave him a big flashing smile, and said: "It's all settled then. I'll have you committed to the Freeport Sanitorium, as my brother, tomorrow."

He nodded morosely. His new client threw five one-hundred dollar bills on his desk, and walked out.

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Private detective, John Steele, and the blonde Mrs. Endicott, entered the small private Freeport Sanitorium.

"Doctor Rogers, this is my brother John. He has decided that it would be best if he came here for a rest. Of course I'll sign the papers."

"Fine. Fine," said the little, wizened old doctor. "I'm sure you'll be happy here with us, John. It's quiet and oh, so-o restful."

"I'm sure," said Steele. This set-up was beginning to look more and more rotten every minute. He was glad he'd thought to tape that .32 automatic to the inside of his leg. He had the feeling that he was going to need that little persuader before very long.

Mrs. Endicott signed the papers and left, leaving John alone with the doctor. The little man put all of the papers away in the safe and then turned to his new patient.

"Come," he said. "I'm sure you can use a good sleep. I'll show you to your room."

He walked out, and John followed him. They took a self-service elevator up to the fifth floor, and walked down a white, antiseptic-looking corridor until they reached a room numbered "51."

"After you," said the little doctor. John stepped in, and walked toward the big white bed. He was going to turn and say something to the doctor, but he never got to. Something hit him on the back of the head, and all he could see was the black cloud of darkness that rushed in to meet him as he hit the floor...

When he woke, he was in the bed, still dressed. He reached to see if his gun was still taped to his leg, and as he moved the splitting ache made him groan. 't was still there. Somehow the

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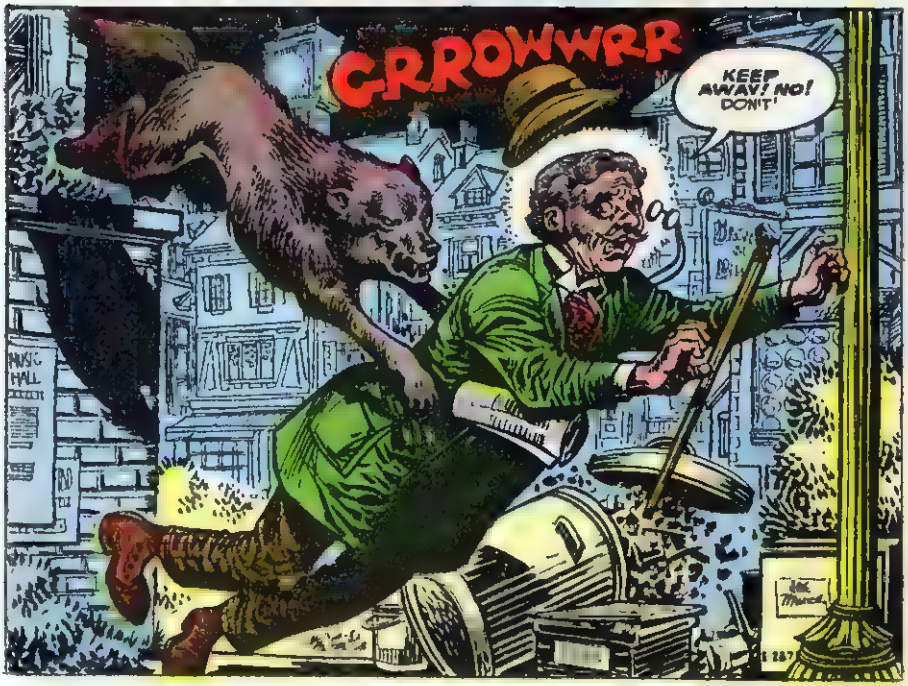
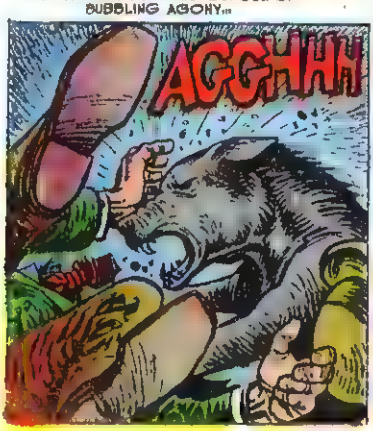
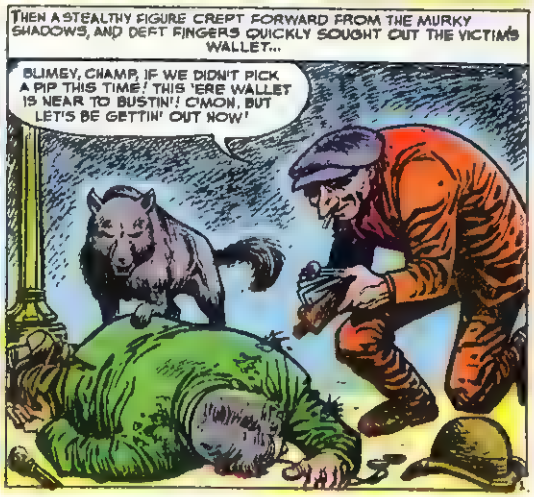


THE HUGE HOUND, A THING OF THRASHING, VIOLENT FURY, BORE HIS VICTIM TO THE GROUND, AND THE SNAPPING JAWS TURNED THE FINAL SCREAM INTO A MUFFLED GURGLE OF BUBBLING AGONY...



THEN A STEALTHY FIGURE CREPT FORWARD FROM THE MURKY SHADOWS, AND DEFT FINGERS QUICKLY SOUGHT OUT THE VICTIM'S WALLET...



BY THE FOLLOWING MORNING THE PAPERS CARRIED THE FULL STORY, AND IN THE GRIM, GREY BUILDING WHICH HOUSED LONDON'S FAMED SCOTLAND YARD, CHIEF MARTIN BARROWS HELD AN INTERVIEW WITH ONE OF HIS TOP INSPECTORS...
IT'S A BAD BUSINESS, CARTER, AND IT'S GETTING WORSE! THREE DEATHS THIS MONTH, AND TWO THE MONTH BEFORE! WHEN WILL IT STOP?
WHEN WE FIND THE KILLER, AND THAT WON'T BE EASY! LONDON IS BIG!
ABOUT THE VICTIMS THEMSELVES, CARTER... THEIR THROATS WERE BADLY TORN! WHAT DOES IT SUGGEST?
ONLY ONE THING, SIR! IT'S A HOUND, AND A LARGE ONE.. TRAINED, NO DOUBT, TO DO HIS MASTER'S BIDDING, AND TO DO IT WELL! THE FANG MARKS TOLD US THAT!
PERHAPS IT'S JUST A MAD DOG, ROAMING THE STREETS AT NIGHT!
YOU'RE FORGETTING THE ROBBERIES, SIR! THE VICTIMS WERE FOUND WITH THEIR WALLETS MISSING!
WE'RE FACED WITH A CRIMINAL MIND, AND A CUNNING ONE AT THAT! I'D LIKE TO DEAL WITH THIS IN MY OWN WAY, IF I MAY! I HAVE A PLAN THAT MIGHT WORK!
BY ALL MEANS, CARTER! DO WHAT YOU THINK BEST ...BUT WE'LL BE EXPECTING RESULTS!
SEVERAL NIGHTS LATER, AS A SOUPY FOG CLOAKED THE CITY...
TONIGHT'S A REAL BEAUTY, CHAMP! NOTHIN' LIKE A BIT O' FOG TO 'ELP THINGS ALONG! C'MON ALONG NOW, AN' NOT A SOUND OUTTA YOU!
TWENTY MINUTES LATER, A MUFFLED CRY PIERCED THE GHOSTLY NIGHT...
HELP!
SOMEONE'S IN TROUBLE! IT COULD BE ANOTHER VICTIM OF THE VICIOUS HOUND!
BUT WHEN INSPECTOR CARTER ARRIVED AT THE SCENE...
TOO LATE! HE'S DONE FOR, AND THERE'S NO CHANCE OF FINDING THE KILLER IN THIS SOUP... NOT A CHANCE IN A MILLION!
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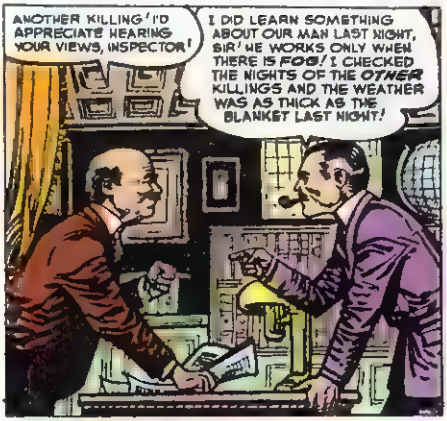
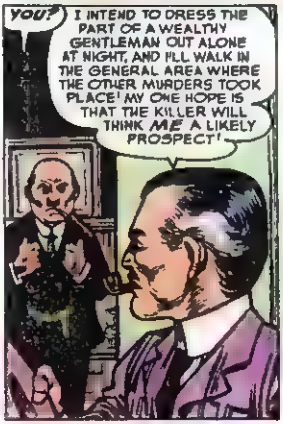
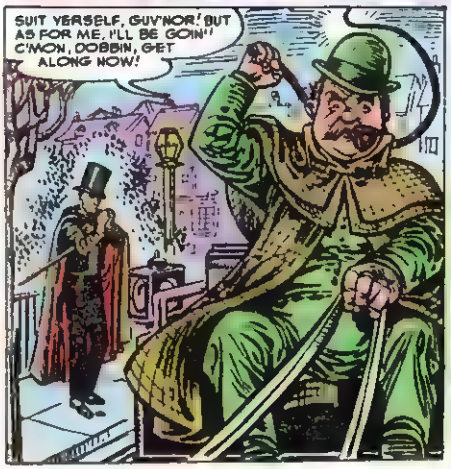
ONCE AGAIN THE INSPECTOR APPEARED BEFORE HIS CHIEF...


ANOTHER KILLING! I'D APPRECIATE HEARING YOUR VIEWS, INSPECTOR!
I DID LEARN SOMETHING ABOUT OUR MAN LAST NIGHT, SIR! HE WORKS ONLY WHEN THERE IS FOG! I CHECKED THE NIGHTS OF THE OTHER KILLINGS AND THE WEATHER WAS AS THICK AS THE BLANKET LAST NIGHT!

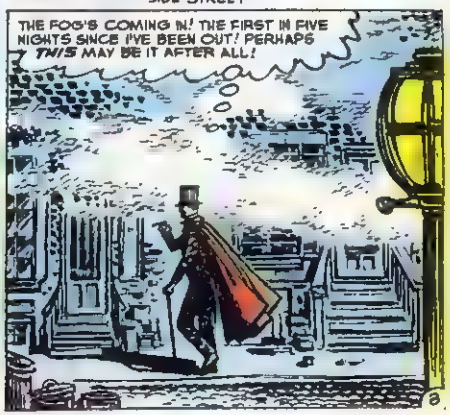

YOU?
I INTEND TO DRESS THE PART OF A WEALTHY GENTLEMAN OUT ALONE AT NIGHT, AND I'LL WALK IN THE GENERAL AREA WHERE THE OTHER MURDERS TOOK PLACE! MY ONE HOPE IS THAT THE KILLER WILL THINK ME A LIKELY PROSPECT!

SO INSPECTOR CARTER ASSUMED THE ROLE OF A WELL-DRESSED GENTLEMAN, AND EACH NIGHT HE WOULD WALK THE LONELY SIDE STREETS OF THE GREAT CITY...

IT'S NOT FOR THE LIKES OF YOU TO BE OUT ALONE, SIR! 'AVEN'T YOU 'EARD ABOUT THE KILLER BEAST? 'E RIPS THEIR THROATS CLEAN OUT, 'E DOES!
SO I'VE HEARD, BUT IT'S UNLIKELY THAT HE'D PICK ON ME!



AS THE HORSE'S HOOFS CLATTERED ACROSS THE COBBLESTONES, INSPECTOR CARTER TURNED INTO A SIDE STREET!



MEANWHILE, IN A BUILDING NOT FAR OFF...
WELL, CHAMP, IF WE AIN'T IN LUCK AFTER ALL! THERE'S A FOG ROLLIN' IN, AN' A REAL MUCKY ONE!
IT'S NEARLY A WEEK NOW, WITH US SITTIN' 'ERE WAITIN' FOR THE WEATHER TO CHANGE! BUT TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT... THE KIND O' NIGHT THAT MAKES FOR REAL GOOD HUNTIN'!
MINUTES LATER, THEY WERE PART OF THE HEAVY FOG...
NOW IF LADY LUCK WOULD SEND A WEALTHY GENTLEMAN ACROSS OUR PATH, I'D REALLY BE OBLIGED! SAY, OL' BOY... SOMETHIN' WRONG?
WELL, IF THIS AIN'T THE BEST YET! 'ERE COMES ONE NOW, TOPPER AN' ALL! IN THIS DOORWAY, CHAMP! URRAY, BOY!
FUNNY... I COULD'VE SWORN I SAW SOMETHING DOWN THIS WAY! COULD BE THE FOG, THOUGH!
IT'S TRICKIER THAN... GOOD HEAVENS NO!
GROOWAR
THE SUDDENNESS OF THE CHARGE CAUGHT INSPECTOR CARTER OFF BALANCE, BUT HIS POLICEMAN INSTINCT HAD HIM REACHING FOR HIS GUN... AND IN THE NEXT INSTANT...
YIEEEEE
BANG

IT'S A BLOOMIN' COPPER! I GOTTA RUN FER IT!
TWEEEEE
BEATING A HASTY RETREAT THROUGH THE PROTECTIVE FOG, THE KILLER RACED BACK TO HIS DWELLING...
I'LL PACK MY BAG AN' CLEAR OUT! I'LL CATCH A NIGHT TRAIN FOR DOVER!
I'VE GOT ENOUGH MONEY TO DO ME FOR A WHILE! I'LL GO TO PARIS, THAT'S WHAT! 'AVE MYSELF A REAL TIME, I WILL!
I'LL EVEN... CHAMP! 'E DIDN'T KILL YOU!
BUT AS HE STEPPED FORWARD, THE DOG CRUMPLED TO THE FLOOR...
HE'S DEAD NOW! BUT HE DID LEAD ME TO YOU WITH HIS LAST STRENGTH! TRUST A FAITHFUL DOG TO GO BACK TO HIS MASTER IN TIME OF NEED!
WITH A DESPERATION BORN OF PANIC, THE KILLER WENT FOR HIS GUN BUT...
BANG
THUS, THE BRILLIANT POLICE WORK OF INSPECTOR CARTER PAID OFF, AND THE JAWS OF DEATH, ALONG WHITH ITS EVIL MASTER, WERE CLOSED FOR ALL TIME!
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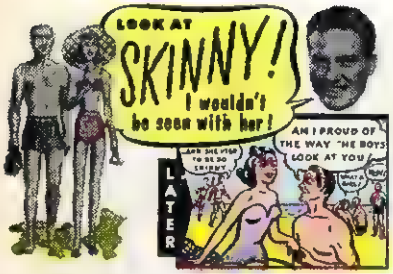

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MEN ARE OFTEN ASHAMED TO STRIP FOR SPORTS OR FOR A SWIM!

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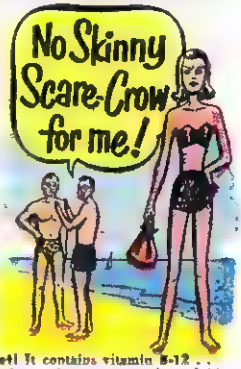

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outline of that .32 made him feel better. He fell back to the soft pillow. He had to think.

He got no chance to do much of that, because almost immediately the door opened and the little doctor walked in. John lifted himself up on his elbows.

"Hello, John," said the doctor. "How does the patient feel. That was a nasty fall you took. Rug slipped, you know."

Hah! That was a good one. And had the rug turned his pockets inside out and searched his suitcase? But he said nothing. He told the doctor that he was hungry, and could he get something to eat? The little man said he would have something sent right up to the room. Doctor Rogers was not gone more than two minutes when there was a knock on the door.

"Come in."

A medium sized man, answering the description and photograph that Mrs. Endicott had given of her husband, walked in. He was carrying a small black suitcase.

"What can I do for you?" asked John.

"I want you to help me," Endicott said. "You're new here, and my life is in great danger. I want you to do me a favor and keep this suitcase for me. I'll pay you well. It'll just be for a few days."

"Glad to oblige," said John. "Just stick it in the closet. And don't worry about paying me. I couldn't think of taking money for a favor like *that*."

Endicott looked grateful. He put the small black bag into the closet and returned. He smiled at John Steele, and said: "I'll never forget this."

"It's okay."

"Somebody's trying to take it away from me."

"Why?"

"I—" His words were broken off when the door flung open.

"Mr. Endicott! You know the rules against visiting other patients in their rooms!" Rogers' face was red with rage. Endicott slinked out like a whipped cat.

The doctor brought the small table-on-wheels over beside the bed. "There you are," he said. "A nice meal. But first I want

you to take this pill. It'll help get rid of that nasty headache from the fall you took.

John looked at the small yellow pill. He knew from the faint odor what it was. One of the most deadly poisons known to man. He gulped, and then nodded as he took the pill from the doctor's hands. The doctor watched him put the pill into his mouth, and then wash it down with a drink of water. About three seconds later, John Steele began to gasp for air, and then fell from the bed onto the floor, inert.

Endicott appeared in the doorway. "You — you've killed him"

"Yes," snarled the doctor, "and I'm going to kill you too, for trying to double-cross Fenwick and me. Then I'll get that stupid wife of yours for trying to double-cross all of us."

"No!" screamed Endicott. "Don't. I wasn't trying to—"

"Save your breath. Because we wouldn't give you a larger cut for being the paymaster of that Acme Novelty Company job, you thought you'd keep the entire payroll for yourself. Well, now all you'll get is a belly-full of lead."

"Drop that gun, Rogers! And don't turn, unless you want me to carve my initials in lead on your back."

"Steele!" gasped the Doctor. "How did you—?"

"Easy," John said, as he picked Rogers' gun up from the floor. He slipped the man's pistol into his pocket, and lifted the telephone to call the police. "I just palmed the pill instead of putting it into my mouth. Sleight of hand, that's all."

He spoke into the phone. "Get the Chief over here right away. I've got the gang that pulled the Acme Novelty job. And pick up Mrs. Endicott. Apartment 3-c at the Hillton Hotel."

He hung up the receiver, and smiled at his prisoners. "I guess you could call this an all around, *double-double-cross*."

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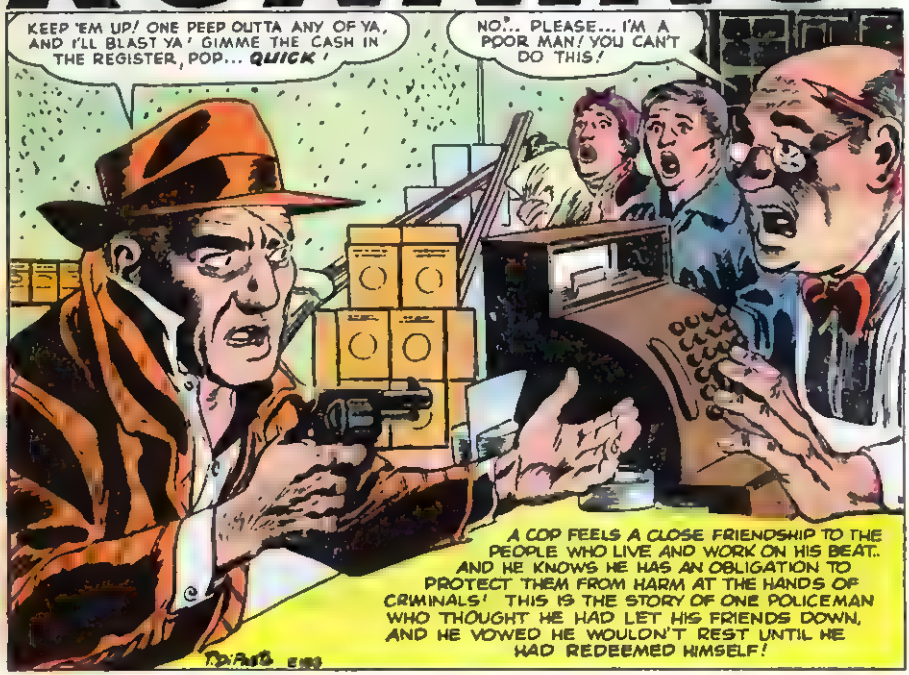
HE CAN'T STOP RUNNING


KEEP 'EM UP! ONE PEEP OUTTA ANY OF YA, AND I'LL BLAST YA! GIMME THE CASH IN THE REGISTER, POP... QUICK!
NO!.. PLEASE... I'M A POOR MAN! YOU CAN'T DO THIS!
A COP FEELS A CLOSE FRIENDSHIP TO THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE AND WORK ON HIS BEAT.. AND HE KNOWS HE HAS AN OBLIGATION TO PROTECT THEM FROM HARM AT THE HANDS OF CRIMINALS! THIS IS THE STORY OF ONE POLICEMAN WHO THOUGHT HE HAD LET HIS FRIENDS DOWN, AND HE VOWED HE WOULDN'T REST UNTIL HE HAD REDEEMED HIMSELF!

THE GUNSHOT HAD ATTRACTED THE OFFICER ON THE BEAT, PATROLMAN PAT BRYAN..
A COPPER! I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM!
HOLD ON THERE! DROP THAT GUN!
MEATS GROCERY
BUT SCARFACE NEMO WAS NOT THE KIND OF THIEF WHO WOULD SURRENDER AS LONG AS HE HAD A GUN IN HIS HAND..
OHHH!
JUST WHAT I NEED! THIS'LL STOP THE COPPER IN HIS TRACKS!
MY BABY! DON'T HURT MY BABY!
ONE STEP CLOSER, COPPER, AND THE KID GETS IT!
CAN'T TAKE A CHANCE ON FIRING AND HITTING THE CHILD!
THIS'LL HOLD 'IM LONG ENOUGH FOR ME TO SCRAM OUTTA HERE!
EEEEEE!!
OFFICER BRYAN STOPPED THE SPEEDING CARRIAGE AS HE WATCHED THE HOODLUM DASH AROUND THE CORNER...
DON'T WORRY, MRS. MORIARITY! THE BABY IS ALL RIGHT!
HE GOT AWAY! I-I LET YOU FOLKS DOWN!
YOU HAD NO CHOICE, OFFICER! YOU HAD TO PROTECT THE BABY! I CALLED FOR AN AMBULANCE! MR. CARTER, THE GROCER, IS HURT BAD .. THAT HOODLUM SHOT HIM!
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SCARFACE NEMO RAN ALL THE WAY TO HIS CHEAP FURNISHED ROOM, GLOATING AT HIS SUCCESSFUL ESCAPE...
I SURE PUT IT OVER ON THAT COPPER! MADE A NICE HAUL TOO!
THAT GROCER GOT A GOOD LOOK AT MY FACE! IF HE LIVES, HE'LL TELL THE COPS ABOUT THE SCAR! WHAT A LOUSY THING TO BE MARKED WITH!
AS HE STARED AT HIMSELF IN THE MIRROR, SCARFACE NEMO REMEMBERED HOW HE HAD GOTTEN THAT SCAR! IT HAPPENED WHEN HE WAS IN HIS TEENS, BULLYING THE SMALLER BOYS IN THE COAL YARD...
HEY, GIMME BACK MY BAG OF COAL! IT'S FOR MY MOM!
G'WAN... I GOT BETTER USE FOR IT! I CAN SELL IT, HALF PRICE, TO MR. FISHER, THE COAL MAN!
YOUNG NEMO PICKED ON THE SMALLER BOYS FOR WEEKS, UNTIL THAT DAY WHEN A NEW BOY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD STOPPED HIM...
HEY, GIMME MY COAL! I PAID FOR IT...
... AN' IM GONNA SELL IT AGAIN! ANY OBJECTIONS?
LEAVE THE KID ALONE! GIVE HIM BACK HIS COAL!
NEMO ACCEPTED THIS CHALLENGE TO HIS SELF-APPOINTED RULE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD...
I'M GONNA CRIPPLE YA, PUNK! OWWWW!!
NEMO WAS TAKING A BEATING FROM THE NEW KID! SO HE TOOK OUT HIS SWITCH KNIFE AND SNAPPED OUT THE KEEN BLADE...
YOU'RE ASKIN' FOR IT, PUNK! I'M GONNA CARVE YOUR HEART OUT!
CLICK!
BUT THE NEW KID KNEW HOW TO DEFEND HIMSELF AGAINST THE HOT-TEMPERED KILLER!
OWWWW!!
KLUNK!
GEE, THANKS FOR STANDING UP FOR US, FELLA! GUESS NEMO WON'T BOTHER US ANY MORE NOW!
I'LL GET 'IM SOME DAY, SO HELP ME! AN' WHEN I DO, I'LL RIP HIS GUTS OPEN! NO ONE DOES THIS TO NEMO... AN' LIVES!

BUT NEMO HAD GROWN TO YOUNG MANHOOD, BEARING THE SCAR OF HIS IGNOBLE DEFEAT, THE BITTER GALL OF REVENGE STILL BURNING WITHIN HIM...
THAT'S WHY I CAME BACK HERE TO MY OLD NEIGHBORHOOD! TO FIND THAT CRUMB! BUT NOW THE COPS, GOT ME SPOTTED!
MAYBE BLACKIE WEST WILL TAKE ME IN! I COULD RUN HIS BOOKIE JOINT FROM INSIDE AND KEEP UNDER COVER, UNTIL I GET A LINE ON THAT CRUMB I'M LOOKIN' FOR! YEAH... I'LL SEE BLACKIE IN THE MORNING!
EARLY THE FOLLOWING MORNING, SCARFACE NEMO SNEAKED INTO BLACKIE WEST'S BOOKIE JOINT...
BLACKIE, I'M ON THE LAM... YA GOTTA LET ME HOLE UP WITH YA UNTIL THE HEAT'S OFF!
YEAH, I READ ABOUT IT IN THE PAPER, NEMO!
THAT SCAR ON YER HEAD IS A DEAD GIVEAWAY, NEMO! EVERY COP IN TOWN IS LOOKIN' FOR YA! YOU'RE TOO HOT TO HANDLE! I CAN'T TAKE ANY CHANCES ON YA!
DAILY
GROCER RECOVERS FROM BANDIT'S BULLET!
ASSAILANT DESCRIBE
YA GOTTA TAKE ME IN, BLACKIE! I GOT NO PLACE TO GO!
AN' I SAID I CAN'T TAKE ANY CHANCES, YA CRUMB! NOW BEAT IT!
BLACKIE... YA GOTTA...
I AIN'T GOTTA DO NOTHIN', PUNK!
NEMO RAN FROM ONE UNDERWORLD HOODLUM TO ANOTHER, BUT THE ANSWER WAS ALWAYS THE SAME!
YOU'RE TOO HOT, NEMO! I DON'T WANT YA AROUND!
CAN'T TAKE ANY CHANCES, NEMO! BEAT IT!
G'WAN... SCRAM!

SCARFACE NEMO COULDN'T STOP RUNNING, FOR HE HAD NO PLACE TO HIDE! AS NIGHT FELL OVER THE CITY, HE WALKED AIMLESSLY THROUGH THE DESERTED STREETS, AFRAID TO RETURN TO HIS OWN FURNISHED ROOM... AFRAID THE LANDLORD HAD READ HIS DESCRIPTION IN THE PAPER AND HAD ALREADY NOTIFIED THE POLICE...

THAT SAME NIGHT, OFFICER PAT BRYAN WAS GETTING A RIDE HOME IN A PATROL CAR...

ANY LEADS ON THAT SCARFACED HOODLUM, PAT?

NOTHING YET, ED! I WON'T REST UNTIL I GET MY HANDS ON HIM! I FEEL PERSONALLY RESPONSIBLE FOR LETTING HIM GET AWAY!

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YOU SHOULDN'T TAKE IT SO HARD, PAT! YOU *HAD* TO LET THE RAT GET AWAY WHEN HE SHOVED THE BABY CARRIAGE AT YOU! AT LEAST THE KID WAS SAFE... AND MR. CARTER, THE GROCER, IS RECOVERING OKAY!

WHA...! A PATROL CAR!

IT TOOK JUST ONE INSTANT FOR PATROLMAN PAT BRYAN TO SPOT THAT SCARRED FOREHEAD IN THE GLARE OF THE CAR'S HEADLIGHTS!

IT'S HIM! DID YOU SEE THE SCAR ON HIS FOREHEAD? HE'S RUNNING AWAY! AFTER HIM, ED!

TH-THEY'VE SPOTTED ME! GOTTA STOP 'EM!

BLAM!

BLAM-BLAM!

THIS IS *MY* BABY, ED! I'M GOING AFTER HIM!

DON'T TAKE UNNECESSARY RISKS, PAT! THAT GUY'S A KILLER! BETTER LET ME RADIO HEADQUARTERS FOR MORE MEN!

BUT THIS WAS A JOB OFFICER PAT BRYAN HAD TO DO ALONE!
HE RAN INTO A BLIND ALLEY! THE RAT'S GOT HIMSELF CORNERED!
IN HIS PANIC, THE HOODLUM HAD TRAPPED HIMSELF IN THE ALLEY WHICH ENDED AT A HIGH STONE WALL! HE TURNED TO FACE HIS PURSUER, GUN BLAZING AWAY IN FEARFUL FURY!
AND SUDDENLY NEMO'S GUN STOPPED BARKING! ONLY THE CLICK... OF AN EMPTY WEAPON...
IT-IT'S EMPTY! NOW THE COPPER WILL BLAST ME! I GOT HIM IN THE SHOULDER! WHY DON'T HE DROP?
CLICK CLICK!
THE OFFICER LET HIS GUN HAND DROP TO HIS SIDE! RECOGNITION HAD STIRRED HIS MEMORY AS HE GLARED INTO THE KILLER'S EYES! AND NEMO TOO WAS REMEMBERING!
NEMO... THE BULLY OF THE COAL YARD! I SHOULD'VE REMEMBERED ABOUT THAT SCAR!
YOU! THE KID WHO CRACKED ME WITH THAT STICK!
I DIDN'T GET TO USE MY KNIFE THEN, COPPER... BUT NOW I'M GONNA FINISH THE JOB!
STILL UP TO YOUR OLD TRICKS, EH, NEMO?
IT WAS LIKE HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF! AGAIN A DEFENDER OF LAW AND ORDER HAD TO FIGHT WITH THE BULLY WHO HAD BECOME A LAWLESS KILLER!
I'M THE ONE WHO'S FINISHING THE JOB, NEMO!
AND MOMENTS LATER, WHEN OFFICER BRYAN EMERGED FROM THE ALLEY...
LOOKS LIKE I DIDN'T HAVE TO CALL HEADQUARTERS AFTER ALL, PAT! HEY, YOUR SHOULDER'S NICKED!
YEAH? I DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE! BEEN TOO BUSY CLEARING UP SOME UNFINISHED BUSINESS!
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